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SUBJ: CCD SCHEDULE; NPT REVIEW CONF PREPARATORY
COMMITTEE

1. SUMMARY: IN COVERSACTIONS WITH VISITING ACDA
OFFICIAL, RESIDENT CHEIFS OF OTHER CCD DELEGATIONS
PRESSED FOR INFORMATION ABOUT US PLANS FOR CCD AND
FOR NPT REVIEW CONF PREPCOM. JAPANESE CCD REP SAID
HIS DELEGATION WAS READY TO TABLE DRAFT CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION
WHEN CCD RESUMES AND FELT IT IMPORTANT HOLD TWO CCD
SESSIONS THIS YEAR. JAPANESE AND SWEDISH CCD REPS
ALSO EXPRESSED HOPE THEIR GOVTS WOULD BE CONSULTED
WITH REGARD TO PLANS FOR PREPCOM. END SUMMARY.

2. AT RECEPTION FOR VISTING ACDA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
MILLER FEBRUARY 1, VIRTUALLY ALL RESIDENT CCD REPS,
AS WELL AS UN SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL (PASTINEN), PRESSED
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MILLER FOR INFORMATION REGARDING CCD SCHEDULE. THEIR

QUERIES APPEARED TO BE ON A PERSONAL BASIS RATHER THAN AS RESULT OF GOVERNMENT INSTRUCTIONS AND MOST SEEMED QUITE FLEXIBLE REGARDING TIMING OF CCD THIS YEAR. DIFFERING VIEWS WERE EXPRESSED AS TO WHETHER ONE OR TWO SESSIONS WOULD BE NEEDED AND REGARDING LENGTH OF SESSION OR SESSIONS. MILLER NOTED THAT (A) USG HAD BEEN FOCUSING ON PLANNING FOR NPT REVIEW CONF PREPCOM, (B) WE WERE JUST BEGINNING CONSULTATIONS REGARDING FIRST PREPCOM MEETING, AND (C) WE WOULD BE IN TOUCH LATER REGARDING CCD. SEVERAL CCD REPS ASKED MILLER WHETHER THE US WOULD HAVE INITIATIVES ON CW AND/OR CTB THIS YEAR. MILLER INDICATED THAT THESE MATTERS WERE UNDER CONTINUING REVIEW AND THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO PREDICT WHAT WE WOULD BE READY TO DO.

3. AT BILATERAL DINNER FOR MR. MILLER FEBRUARY 2, AMBASSADOR NISIBORI (JAPANESE CCD REP) SAID HIS DELEGATION WAS READY TO TABLE A DRAFT CW CONVENTION WHEN CCD RESUMED. THIS PROPOSAL WOULD BE FORMULATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH WORKING PAPER TABLED BY JAPANESE AT LAST CCD SESSION AND WOULD BE CAST IN TREATY LANGUAGE. NISIBORI SAID IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO HAVE GOVT NOT HAVE TWO CCD SESSIONS THIS YEAR SO THAT THEIR DRAFT TREATY COULD BE CONSIDERED FULLY. JAPANESE DEL, MOREOVER, FELT THAT HAVING ONLY SINGLE SESSION OF CCD WOULD BE ASKING FOR TROUBLE AT NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY. NISIBORI ADDED THAT JAPANESE WERE PROCEEDING ON ASSUMPTION THAT USG WAS NOT SIMPLY GIVING LIP SERVICE TO ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT. NONETHELESS, JAPANESE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT APPARENT USG RELUCTANCE RECONVENE CCD, ESPECIALLY SINCE THERE WERE ALSO NEWS REPORTS ABOUT DELAYS AND PROBLEMS AFFECTING SALT AND ABOUT PLANS FOR BINARY-TYPE CW AND OTHER NEW WEAPONRY.

4. NISIBORI ALSO EXPRESSED HOPE THAT GOJ WOULD BE CONSULTED WITH REGARD TO PALNS AND AGENDA FOR NPT REVIEW CONF PREPCOM BECAUSE JAPANESE HOPE TO BE IN POSITION TAKE PART IN SECOND AND THIRD MEETINGS OF PREPCOM. SIMILARLY, AT FEBRUARY 1 RECEPTION, SWEDISH AMBASSADOR ECKERBERG IN PRESENCE OF MEXICAN AND YUGOSLAV

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REPRESENTATIVES POINTED TO FACT THAT SWEDEN HAD PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN SPONSORING NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE RESOLUTION AT UNGA LAST FALL AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT SWEDEN WOULD BE CONSULTED IN NEAR FUTURE AND NOT SIMPLY INFORMED OF A DATE AGREED BY OTHERS FOR THE FIRST PREPCOM MEETING. MILLER ASSURED ECKERBERG THAT WE HOPED TO BE CONSULTING SWEDEN AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SOON AND WOULD NOT PRESENT THEM WITH A FAIT ACCOMPLI.

5. DURING CALL ON MR. MILLER FEBRUARY 1, AMBASSADOR PASTINEN (SYG'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO CCD) POINTED OUT THAT AUSTRIAN MISSION HERE HAS BEEN ACTIVELY CANVASSING FOR SUPPORT FOR PROPOSAL TO HOLD SECOND AND/OR THIRD PREPCOM MEETINGS IN VIENNA AND THAT IT HAD RECEIVED A NUMBER OF AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSES. PASTINEN THOUGHT THAT IN MANY OF THESE CASES THE GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTED DID NOT HAVE STRONG VIEWS REGARDING THE SITE OF THE MEETINGS AND FOUND IT EASY TO ACCEDE TO AUSTRIAN DESIRES IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY CONTRARY PRESSURES. PASTINEN EXPRESSED VIEW THAT FIRST MAJOR POLITICAL PROBLEM FOR PREPCOM WOULD CONCERN DEGREE OF ACCESS IT ACCORDS TO INTERESTED STATES WHO ARE NOT PREPCOM MEMBERS. HE DIVIDED THESE INTO FOUR TYPES: OTHER PARTIES TO NPT, SIGNATORIES IN PROCESS OF RATIFYING NPT, OTHER NPT SIGNATORIES, AND NON-SIGNATORIES. MILLER STRESSED THAT WE VIEWED REVIEW CONF INTSELF AS A CONFERENCE OF NPT PARTIES SINCE THEY HAD PARTICULAR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE TREATY. MILLER AGREED, HOWEVER, THAT THERE WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BE GREAT INTEREST IN THE REVIEW CONF AMONG NON- PARTIES AND THAT PREPCOM WOULD HAVE TO DEAL WITH THIS ISSUE. AS FOR THE SITE OF THE PREPCOM MEETINGS, MILLER INDICATED WE STRONGLY FAVORED GENEVA AND UNDERSTOOD THERE WAS GENERAL CONSENSUS IN THIS REGARD. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT WE DID NOT ENTIRELY RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A FUTURE PREPCOM MEETING IN VIENNA AND THAT THIS WOULD HAVE TO BE SETTLED BY THE PREPCOM ITSELF. DALE

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